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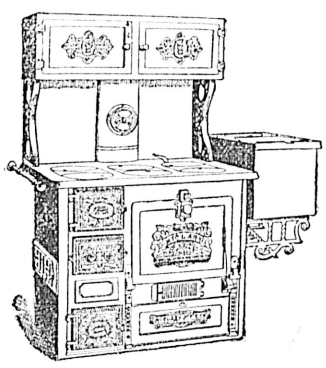

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BLOCKADE OF GREECE.

British Government Will Join With the Other Powers If Found Necessary.

Greek or Turk Whichever Was the Aggressor Would Be Held Responsible.

LONDON, April 5.—Referring to the proposed blockade of the Gulf of Athens, Mr. Balfour said to-day that if such a step is found necessary in order to maintain the peace the government will not hesitate to join with the other powers in blockading Greece. In the meanwhile, continued Mr. Balfour, the powers were making a general declaration at Athens and at Constantinople, whereby the maintenance of peace might, he trusted, be obtained. This declaration, Mr. Balfour explained, was in effect that in case of a fight at the frontier the aggressor would be held responsible for all the consequences of the disturbance of the general peace, to which the powers attached the greatest importance.

Sir William Harcourt said the house was anxious for a full statement from the government of the policy it intended to pursue, and as the government leader (Mr. Balfour) was not prepared to make a statement on the subject, he desired to give notice of motion, which would secure a discussion of the situation for the information of the house and country, he would therefore move for an address to Her Majesty, praying that the forces of the crown be not employed against Greece or the people of Crete.

Mr. Balfour thereupon remarked that he desired to be sure whether Sir Wm. Harcourt meant to raise a definite vote of censure against the government in regard to its policy in the East, for if he did the government was prepared to give Thursday next for a discussion, which he hoped would be confined to the limits of a single night. If, after what had been said, Sir William Harcourt desired to raise the issue involved and move a vote of censure, the government would give him Thursday, but not otherwise. Sir William said that at present he was not in possession of information as to whether the government intended to employ crown forces against Greece and the people of Crete, therefore his motion was not a vote of censure. It was simply intended to learn the intention of the government and obtain the opinion of the house as to whether it would be a wise and proper policy to pursue. The opposition, he continued, was of the opinion that coercion was improper and it was prepared and anxious to take the opinion of the house on the subject; but the real object of the motion was to obtain a full statement of the government policy. If Mr. Balfour had answered the statement he made on the subject, Sir William would not have given notice of his motion. It was impossible for him to say whether this was a vote of censure or not (Conservative laughter), but the question was of most supreme importance and ought to be discussed by the house before it departed for the Easter recess.

To this Mr. Balfour replied that it was impossible for any debate to extract further information from the government than had already been given. He had explained in the clearest manner the intentions of the government, both in regard to Crete and Greece, and if the honorable gentleman merely meant to ask for a repetition of the statements made, public business should not be interrupted, and the time of the house wasted in pointless debates. However, if Sir William Harcourt put the motion on the paper it would be further considered.

Sir Wm. Harcourt retorted that he would not put the motion on the paper before the government leader would say whether or not he would take the responsibility of bringing the motion up for discussion. The matter was then dropped amid cheers from Conservatives and counter cheers from the Liberals.

The declaration to be made by representatives of the powers at Athens and Constantinople, mentioned by Mr. Balfour, was suggested by Count Muravief, the Russian minister of foreign affairs, and has already been dispatched to Athens and Constantinople.

HITTING BACK.

Germans Are Not a Long-Suffering People

BERLIN, April 5.—The German newspapers continue printing articles advising the government to adopt retaliatory measures in the event of the new American tariff bill being passed. The Kreuzer Zeitung and the Deutsche Zeitung take the lead in this respect. The export business to the United States is now in a feverish condition. Although extra steamers have been provided for the transportation of export goods, the various steamship lines from Hamburg, Bremen and Stettin declare themselves unable to carry all the freight which is waiting on the docks.

A BUCOLIC RUSS.

Inspector of Agriculture of Russia-in Asia Coming This Way.

WINNIPEG, April 5.—(Special)—Nicholas Krukoff, inspector of agriculture of the Amoor region, Russia, is here. He is en route to Vancouver and Victoria, thence to Japan and from there to Habarovok, on the Pacific coast of Siberia, where his headquarters are. Mr. Krukoff is one of seven or eight advisers of the Governor-General of Siberia and is inspector of agriculture in Russia-in-Asia.

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ENDED IN TALK.

United States Senate Do Not Care to Come In Conflict With Spain.

WASHINGTON, April 5.—The Senate today by unanimous vote adopted a resolution reciting the report that the General Ruis Rivera, the Cuban commander, is about to be tried by a drum-head court-martial and shot, and expressing the judgment of the senate that if these reports are true the president of the United States should protest to the Spanish government against the act as a violation of the rules of civilized warfare. This resolution does not go to the house of representatives, and becomes effective as a measure of advice to the President by its adoption to-day. Although the opposition was withdrawn on a final vote, there was a spirited opposition in the early stages of the debate and a test vote on the comparative strength of the Cuban and anti-Cuban sentiment in the senate.

GREEK INDEPENDENCE.

To-day a Monster Celebration Will Be Held at Athens to Honor It.

Turkish Troops Are Better Prepared Than Their Opponents In Case of War.

CANEA, April 5.—In reply to the demands of the Russian consul here for an explanation of the Mussulman attack upon the insurgents and their families as the latter were leaving Akrontiri on Saturday, going inland with the consent of Admiral Hanover, the officer in command of the international fleet, Ismael Pasha, the Turkish governor, has replied by pointing to the fact that by the terms of the circular issued by the foreign admirals on March 25, the whole of the police and Canea and its neighborhood were placed in the hands of the European commanders.

ATHENS, April 5.—All preparations for the celebration to-morrow of the anniversary of the declaration of Greece's independence in 1821, have been completed. An important public meeting will be held here to protest against the action of the powers towards Greece and pledging support to the Greek government in any action it may think fit to take in the premises. There has been a belief that the celebration will be followed by a declaration of war against Turkey. This feeling, however, is not general, although this week is held to be a fateful one for Greece. The orders of Prince Constantine, commander-in-chief of the Greek forces in Thessaly, are most strict that anything in the shape of a demonstration in the direction of the Turkish frontier is to be suppressed. The soldiers and armed peasants however are in no mood to be curbed, and nobody would be astonished to hear of an aggressive movement at least on the part of the Greek irregulars. The Turkish commander-in-chief, Etham Pasha, is fully alive to the difficulty and dangers of the situation, and has already strengthened the frontier outposts, besides taking other measures to meet any contingency which may arise. In short, if an outbreak occurs the Turks will be found fully prepared to meet it. The Greeks, while animated by fierce enthusiasm and desire for war, are not nearly so well disciplined as the Turkish troops and the officers assisting Etham Pasha in the campaign preparations anticipate no difficulty in winning the first battles.

TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.

Programme for the Provincial Meeting to Be Held in Victoria This Month.

The Provincial Teachers' Institute, of which Dr. S. D. Pope, Superintendent of Education, is president, and Mr. E. B. Paul, secretary, has drafted an interesting programme for its meeting here in the assembly rooms of the South Park school on the 20th, 21st and 22nd inst. The programme is:—

Tuesday, 10 a.m., organization; 2 p.m., piano solo; practical lessons in writing, by L. Tait; recitation, Miss J. C. Strachan; primary geography, L. E. Knapp; vocal solo, J. H. Monk; "Stepping Stones to Success in the Teacher's Profession," Miss I. Lyons; 8 p.m., conversazione.

Wednesday, 10 a. m., "Agriculture in Schools," Paul Murray; vocal solo, John Brandon; "Do We Teach Children to Read?" Miss M. Lawson; a lesson on psychology, O. H. Cogswell; 2 p. m., piano duet, Misses Barron and Gardiner; "Rosseau and his Emilie," F. M. Cowperthwaite; reading, Miss A. D. Cameron; practical lesson in addition, Miss E. J. King; vocal solo, E. H. Russell; composition, W. C. Coatham; 8 p.m., piano solo; geography, E. Caspell; reading, Miss E. G. Lawson; Patriotism, J. M. Campbell; vocal solo, Miss F. E. Hartt; and "A plea for the closer union of past and present methods," A. Robinson.

Thursday, 10 a.m., piano solo; "Minor mistakes in school management," S. B. Campbell; "Kindergarten and other useful devices," Miss A. Russell; "The dignity of the teacher's profession;" and physical drill, Mr. St. Clair; 2 p.m., question drawer, conducted by the Superintendent of Education, and general discussion of educational topics; and, 8 p.m., public meeting in the A.O.U.W. hall, to be addressed by several, including Hon. Col. Baker, who will speak on Education.

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THE B. C. SOUTHERN.

Mr. McInnes Asks That the Dominion Should Interfere in Provincial Affairs.

Hon. Mr. Davies Replies That the Railway Act Is Intra Vires.

OTTAWA, April 5.—(Special)—Practically the whole of to-day's sitting was devoted to the consideration of the British Columbia Southern railway.

Mr. McInnes, in moving that the act of last year be disallowed, made a vicious attack on the Canadian Pacific, speaking of their grinding monopoly and colossal gall. Then he attacked the Toronto Globe, whose course, he said, was characterized by cant and duplicity. The Globe, continued McInnes, in taking this course was simply doing the work of its masters, the C. P. R., whose regime, he said, had been "characterized by corruption, extorting tyranny and greed." In conclusion he said the government could well afford to build the road for British Columbia, for in ten years that province had paid in five million dollars to the Dominion treasury in excess of what she had received from federal sources.

Hon. E. G. Prior agreed with the statement that British Columbia had strong claims on the demand for the Crow's Nest, but as to the provincial charter to the British Columbia Southern, neither he nor any other member of the company had anything to be ashamed of. The charter had been regularly and fairly obtained. This house had nothing to do with the charter, and it was incorrect to say that the charter had been hawked around. The company had done its best to capitalize, but it was only since the opening up of the mines that the C. P. R. had seen fit to take up the charter. The Premier having already stated it was not the government's intention to disallow the act, he would let the matter rest at that.

Mr. Davies promised the matter should receive more careful consideration from the government. This was the first request for disallowance. There had not been any petition from a local body or individual, not even a whisper. The act was clearly within the power of the local legislature, and before it could be disallowed it must be made absolutely clear that there were vital Dominion interests at stake of a paramount character. As to the Crow's Nest Pass all he could say was that it would not be very long before the policy of the government would be announced on that question. He moved the adjournment of the debate, which was agreed to.

IN TORONTO THE GOOD.

Osgood Hall Appealed to on a Question of Etiquette.

TORONTO, April 5.—(Special)—At Osgood hall to-day it was ruled that a conductor was justified in putting off a passenger who refused to take his feet off a seat and used bad language when asked to do so.

WARNING TO THE LADIES.

Six Nation Indians Want Their Franchise Taken Away Again.

OTTAWA, April 5.—(Special)—The six Nation Indians petition for the abolition of the franchise act as applied to them as it has created two bitter parties among them.

BYE-ELECTIONS.

Dates at Which They Will Take Place.

TORONTO, April 5.—(Special)—All the bye-elections will take place on the 27th. They are in Winnipeg and Macdonald, Man., and West Prince, P.E.I., or three in all.

BETTER THAN WALKING.

Canadians Have a Goodly Railway Mileage to Travel Over.

OTTAWA, April 5.—(Special)—The total mileage of the Canadian railways last year was 16,387.

MONEY TO BURN.

Prince Edward Island Has a Nice Little Surplus.

CHARLOTTETOWN, April 5.—(Special)—The public accounts of the province, brought down to-day, show a surplus of receipts over ordinary expenditure of $300,000.

THE case of Morrisey v. Leahy, which has been postponed now several times, in anticipation of the difficulty between the two parties being settled out of court, is coming up again in court today, the settlement not having been arrived at.

Humors, pimples, boils are very annoying, they quickly disappear when the blood is purified by Hood's Sarsaparilla.

C. NANGLE, the anatomical and prize boot and shoe maker, for fourteen years foreman for H. Mansell, has opened a custom boot and shoe factory and repairing depot at 56 Fort street, where he will do all work 30 per cent. cheaper than elsewhere in Victoria. He would be pleased to meet all his old friends and new ones. Remember the number, 56 Fort street. x

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WHAT PEOPLE SAY.

Mr. Daniels Wants to Know if Only Liberals Will Get Grain Samples.

Suggestion as to How to "Loyally" Celebrate the Queen's Jubilee.

To THE EDITOR:—Many are the ways that are now being put before us for the keeping of the Queen's diamond jubilee, but amid all the throng of others it should surely be borne in mind that her reign has above everything been the rule of law upon the earth; at this day there is no other nation so wedded to law. How ought this to be marked?

Historians and authorities tell us that even before the coming of the Normans in the days of Edward the Confessor sergeants at law were to be found. It is only within the last 25 years the cloth gown of the older of the Coif (so called from their headgear) has begun to die away from our courts, and yet this has a claim and a standing beyond the Queen's counsel's silk; the stuff garb of the outer bars the attorney's thread gown. And is the dislike of a ruthless disestablisher to the brightest row of a learned profession a reason for our yielding to the slight done in 1868? Rather would it not be a most fitting copingstone to a rule of law only in any way matched by that of good Queen Bess—and a law, too, for whose birth one must look back to the dark woods of the German fatherland; greater in that it is fairer and less teeming with blood and iron than the Roman; greater because it is sought by more than thrust upon those who own its sway. What joy could be more comely than to fill up the now wide gaps in this order by the choice of barristers not only from at home but beyond seas, and by the fresh bestowal of the franchises thereof take one more step towards rivetting in still faster bonds our worldwide empire? And why should not one of the provincial law societies in our Dominion be the first to petition the crown therefor?

In the hope that some such stone of reminder to the Queen whose name this city bears may be set up in the ranks of that profession which must from its very being be far more national than the spirituality of the healing craft, let me, as a shoot of the might ashtree of the Teutons, sign myself

IGGDRASIL.

Victoria, April 5.

To THE EDITOR:—I am a farmer living near the Garnham post office. I get my own mail daily and also that of near neighbors. Some weeks ago there came some samples of grain from the Ottawa government by mail, and Mr. S. Jones told me there must be some mistake as he had not applied for any, and the other party said the same and gave it to Mr. Jones saying that he did not grow wheat. Now, sir, I have made inquiries of every farmer that gets his mail at this office if they received any grain samples from the Ottawa government, and I find that only those who voted against the Conservative party on the 23rd of June last received any samples. Is this the way the Liberal government (so-called) distributed the twenty-five tons of grain samples? Is this the work of the Victoria Grit "clique" or was it W. W. B. McInnis, M. P.? Now I would suggest that the government appoint a commission to enquire into the matter, and also at the same time enquire as to what became of the petition sent to the Postmaster General, Ottawa, signed by all people using the Garnham postoffice, both Liberal and Conservative, asking that there be no change in regard to the carrying of the mails for Maywood and the Garnham postoffices? I would call for all correspondence, both public and private, and I would suggest as commissioner the editor of the Province, as he takes so much interest in the farmer's (votes), as all the other Grits have some job or promise.

R. DANIELS.

MIRACLE OF THE GREEK FIRE.

A Ceremonial in Jerusalem That is Spectacular and Blasphemous.

Mr. Richard Watson Gilder contributes to the April Century an article entitled "The Miracle of the Greek Fire," describing a ceremonial in the Church of the Holy Sepulcher at Jerusalem on the Saturday before Easter Sunday. The attention that is now directed towards the Greek Church by events in the East gives this a special timeliness. Mr. Gilder says:

Now the time of the miracle approaches. A flame from heaven is to be communicated to the expectant world. As a preliminary to this sacred manifestation there is a new, wild outburst of cries and screams. We are told that it is the Jerusalem worshippers, who pound with their fists their fellow-Christians of Jaffa, and drag and jerk them away one by one from the window where the celestial fire is to appear.

The noise swells like a tempest. A burst of sound—the clanging of bells and stricken bars of metal! A flash at the Greek window. The fire has come! One wild rush, one high-pitched, multitudinous scream, still the excited clanging, and out springs the light over the frantic human mass, leaping from hand to hand, as if each flame were lightning and music. Around and up and over and through, till flame is added to flame, spreading from candle to candle, and floor to gallery. Now a priest appears on the roof of the Sepulcher itself, and the flames runs round the top like a crown of fire. Higher it springs, drawn by a rope up to the people at the base of the dome. It illuminates the most distant and dungeon-like vaults, the chapels above and below, every vantage-ground where the spectators have stood or crouched on the floor, or in temporary lodgments in mid-air.

On and on sounds the clangor and the shouting; men, women and children are mad; they pass their hands over the flame—is it not from heaven? how can it do harm?—and then draw their hands over their faces, taking the celestial touch in ecstatic adoration. Over a path made clear for the runners from the window already the fire is on its way to the ends of the earth.

The Armenian patriarch declared to us later, and without hesitancy, that the Greek patriarch simply had a lamp on the tomb proper, which he blessed. This kindly old Armenian said to us that it was not miraculous. It was rumored that a prominent visitor was told by the Greek patriarch that he told the people that it was only a symbol, and not a miracle. I asked the visitor whether this was true, and was answered: "No! How could he tell them that? He would be torn to pieces." Intelligent Greeks assure you that it is a symbol, that "holy fire" is the same thing as "holy water." The Latins will have nothing to do with this, one of the most venerable ceremonies and the most appalling scandal of the Christian world.

At the height of the frenzy, as the flame leaped through the rotunda and lighted the encircling chapels, making more rich and glittering the altars, the gorgeous vestments, the whole ecclesiastical paraphernalia, the arms and uniforms of the troops, and the many-colored costumes of the mad and motley crowd, the thought flashed upon me: Was there ever anything in all Christendom so beautiful and so blasphemous?

WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE.

The Premier of New Zealand Talks About the Lady Voters of That Colony.

"Drummers" Provide by Tax no Little Revenue in the Islands of the South.

Hon. R. J. Seddon, premier of New Zealand, when in New South Wales recently provided interviewers with much "copy." To one reporter he said that the granting of the suffrage to the women of his colony had proved an unqualified success. The female electors showed their moderation by their attitude on the liquor question, and disappointed those who predicted that they would be extreme prohibitionists. Their entry into the political field has also had a refining influence. The present parliament was considered the best that had ever sat in New Zealand, and if this were so, the ladies should receive the credit for it.

Speaking on the effects of protection in New Zealand, the Maoriland Premier remarked that during the last five years the revenue in every department had evidenced considerable expansion, and in the same time the population had increased to the extent of 75,000. Settlement had increased enormously. The country was now in a prosperous condition, there being the greatest buoyancy in every department of trade, while employment was plentiful. The results of their "experimental legislation" had been most satisfactory. The present active state of business, and the fact that the people of New Zealand were a contented community, testified sufficiently, he thought, to the success of the New Zealand fiscal policy, the duties, he remarked, being high.

Alluding to the £50 poll tax on commercial travellers doing business in New Zealand, the New Zealand Premier said that it had been imposed at the request of the travellers themselves. The big firms wanted it fixed at £100, to crush out the small men, while the latter thought that the poll tax would be about £5. It was necessary to extract from their income tax in the same proportion as New Zealanders themselves paid, and it was estimated that £50 a head would constitute a reasonable impost. The total receipts from this source would be £5,000.

CUT HIS THROAT.

Charles Johnson Attempts to Commit Suicide, and Breathes Through a Hole in His Neck.

Charles Johnson has experienced the novelty of breathing through a hole in his neck. He had calculated on ending his breathing and wanted to sleep in a grave. That he was not successful is due to his limited knowledge of anatomy, and possibly to a sudden awakening to the fact that he had made a fool of himself.

There is something of a mystery connected with the case, because Johnson came to Seattle from Novelty, presumably in company with a woman, who rooms in the Hinckley block, and whose name is said to be Miss Warren. A Post-Intelligencer reporter called at Miss Warren's room on two occasions, but no one responded to his call.

Johnson arrived in the city Saturday afternoon or evening, and eventually went to the county farm, where Dr. Carman operated upon him. It appeared that Johnson had taken a knife and driven it into his neck, but did no more damage than to cut a hole in his windpipe. He did the job several days ago, and by the time he reached the county hospital the hole in his neck was festering. In a few more days he would have been a fit subject for a pine box.

Johnson has been out of work for several weeks, owing to the discontinuance of work in a logging camp where he was employed. Some say it was simply a case of despondency, while others wonder if Johnson was of a romantic turn of mind.—P.-I.

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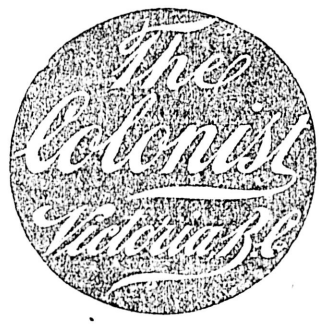

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NEWS OF THE PROVINCE

Nelson Island Is In the Procession With a Free Milling Gold Find.

Wellington Comes Out For a High License—Lily Mine Has a Fortune.

VANCOUVER, April 5. — (Special.)— Eight claims, said to be as rich as the famous Leckie claims, have been taken up by the Fire Lake Mountain company, incorporated last week. They are situated close to the Fire Mountain claims on Harrison lake.

Mr. Trethewey's claims on Harrison lake, which run away up into the hundreds in gold and silver values, situated on Harrison lake, will be ready for shipments as soon as the water is high enough to admit a boat to come alongside the mine.

Mr. Leckie and Mr. McKinnon of Vancouver are president and vice-president, respectively, of another company whose prospectus has just been presented to the public by the company's secretary, Alfred Allayne Jones. The name of the new organization is the Buffalo Mining company of Slocan. The Buffalo claim handled by the company is situated on Four Mile Creek road, three and a half miles from Slocan lake. It is close to the Slocan Star, Idaho and Alamo. An 18-feet shaft has been sunk on the ledge, which is 2½ feet in with and contains a good streak of clean galena, of which five essays have been made of the following value in gold and silver: $247 63; $157.25; $252.48; $265 60; $246 42.

The news of the victory of the ladies' hockey team in Victoria Saturday was received with great delight by the friends of the young ladies at home.

H. O. Bell-Irving left yesterday for Ottawa. He will interview the government on several matters of great importance to the province.

Free milling ore running $12 to the ton on the surface has been discovered on Nelson island.

Wm. Longe, a moulder, was found dead in his cabin yesterday. As deceased had received medical attendance before death Coroner McGuigan did not consider an inquest necessary.

UNION.

On Friday morning between 1 and 2 o'clock, fire was discovered in the warehouse or barn situated between the Waverly hotel and Grant's building. The warehouse was completely destroyed, and it was only by the most strenuous efforts that the adjoining buildings were saved from destruction, the vacant space being only about forty feet. There were a number of persons on a drunken spree that night, and it is thought the fire was the result of carelessness on the part of one or more of those drunken men. However, it was a narrow escape from a disastrous conflagration. The building was almost empty, Mr. Grant having only a small quantity of oil stored in it.—Free Press.

WELLINGTON.

The town council of Wellington have gone in for high license with a vengeance as shown by the following resolution: "It was decided and unanimously carried that the licence for hotels should henceforth be $400 per annum, instead of $200, and that saloon licenses should be $500 per annum. It was also suggested that the constable keep a sharp lookout for the various 'shebeens' that are said to exist on the townsite.—Free Press.

NEW DENVER.

At the bottom of the tunnel in the Lily B., and at a depth of 80 feet, an ore chute 70 feet long has been struck. It averages six in width and assays from a 40-pound sample gave 130 ounces in silver and $2 in gold. The tunnel is still being driven east, and is now 75 feet from the big ore chute. A cross-cut tunnel to tap the lead 100 feet further down will be commenced next week.—The Ledge.

A YUKON SPIRIT.

He Braved the Highwaymen of the South-West and the Cold of the North.

There died at Loomis, Wash., a few days ago, an old Yukon miner with an interesting history, which the Spokesman Review relates as follows: M. F. McConkey was a typical prospector and frontiersman. He was born in the middle west in 1850, but his restless spirit moved him westward, and in 1875 he reached Colorado, and thence he went to New Mexico, where he was the pioneer in the Black range, making numerous mineral locations, which he afterwards sold to Colonel Robert Ingersoll, Colonel Grafton and Senator Plummer of Kansas for $80,000.

One of the incidents of his life while in New Mexico, where he was proprietor of the stage line between St. Marcial and Chloride, will show his indomitable spirit. Word came in that the stage was to be held up, and McConkey says: "I'll go back and have a hand in it." Next day, about a mile from San Jose, two men sprang out with masked faces and ordered the driver to stop. McConkey was sitting on the middle seat on top with a child on his lap. As McConkey reached for his Winchester, which was by his side, the highwaymen fired, breaking the lamps on the side of the stage, and amidst the screams of the passengers McConkey and the highwaymen had it out, and the fight ended by both the hold-ups being killed.

After leaving New Mexico he purchased a large ranch in California, and after getting that in good running order, his restless spirit prompted him to start for Alaska, where he landed at Juneau, and his party went over the Chilcat pass to the headwaters of the Yukon river, where they whipsawed lumber for boats with which they went down the river about 800 miles to winter quarters. The following season they went up the Yukon prospecting and were the first party that found pay dirt at Forty Mile creek. After leaving Alaska he came to Okanagan, where he located several claims in Horse Spring coulee, near Loomis, and for several years he worked alone, developing these claims, and when short of supplies, he would run some of his ore through his arastra and get the means to continue his work.

Recently, with Spokane associates, he had incorporated two of his groups, and with his adjacent holdings with the good showing by the present workings, was in a fair way to secure another fortune. He was generous to a fault, often cutting himself short to help a friend in need, and a more true or braver man never lived.

THE RAILROAD POLICY.

Mr. O'Farrell Gives His Views on the Subject.

Mr. P. A. O'Farrell, whose connection with the development of the mineral resources of the provinces is well known, asked his views of the railroad policy of the government yesterday said:

"I cannot speak too highly of the liberal and enlightened views held by your government and your representatives in the railroad policy formulated by it. An expending revenue and an abundant surplus is the surest testimony that your affairs are being well and economically administered, and those liberal grants to proposed new railroads will be paid back a hundredfold to the province in the increased prosperity of its people and in the enormous amount of capital and opportunities for labor which it will induct. But as the wealth of this province must come mainly from its mineral resources, parliament should be exceedingly careful to conserve the interests of the miner in the allotment of lands to railroad corporations. All railroad grants should be incumbered with a clause compelling the grantee to sell a mineral claim to a discoverer for a maximum of five dollars an acre. Moreover, the timber on a mining claim should be accorded the mine owner. The crown could of course demand a fee for this title, but a fee is far preferable to a royalty. Some railroad grants have not adjusted the relations between the grantee and the mineral discoverer and trouble and litigation has ensued, and this should be provided against in future."

NEW GUINEA GOLD.

The Precious Metal Lies in Fever Laden Swamps Where Death Hovers.

Prospectors Dare Fever and Massacre to Enrich Themselves in the New Wealth Area.

New Guinea is having a gold mining boom at the same time that the revival comes to British Columbia. It seems that the huge island to the north of Queensland is attracting prospectors despite the recent massacre on the Mambare river, and the fact that the best gold is near a swamp which spreads fevers.

A resident of British New Guinea, named E. C. Lobb, has supplied Australian newspapers with a few interesting notes about the new gold field. Mr. Lobb has had a very long residence in British New Guinea, and he has prospected on most of the adjacent islands as well. He is therefore in a position to speak with some authority on the subject of the possible future of those places as gold producers. Large quantities of gold have already been taken from the small mining groups, and adventurous parties of prospectors are every day pushing further into the heart of New Guinea. The most recent discovery reported is that at the Mambare river, a stream which enters the sea some 8 miles only from the boundary of German New Guinea. Here, it is said, about 940oz. was obtained after only a few days' washing, as parties never remain longer in this region than is absolutely necessary. Mr. Lobb has a strong belief in the auriferous nature of the country and thinks that it will be found that the long valley between the Owen Stanley range and the north east coast range will yet return rich yields. A track will, he thinks, be cut up that valley to a point near the head of the Mambare river, but until that is done he would not advise any prospector from the southern colonies, or from the north either, to be tempted into an endeavor to reach the scene of the find. It is possible to make the mouth of the river in one of the numerous boats which ply between the islands and the mainland. But that is 40 or 50 miles from the spot where gold was discovered. It is in the heart of a mangrove swamp, and the chances of a southern or northern visitor escaping the fever are very small. Even should he happen to be fortunate in that respect, it would be necessary to keep up the supplies, and this is both difficult and expensive. New Guinea will yet, Mr. Lobb has no doubt, be one of the gold-producing areas of Australasia. But that time is not yet, and he thinks that the climate is such as to render it imperative that the country should be first opened up by prospectors from Northern Queensland, who are to a certain extent inured to the climate.

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THE RAILWAY BILL.

The position of the Vancouver World in regard to the proposed railway subsidies is substantially that anything beyond the granting of assistance to a road from the Coast to Kootenay is not to be thought of. The objection is made that the line from Bute Inlet to Quesnelle will be through a howling wilderness. We fancy that the wilderness through which the Nelson & Fort Shepherd road was built "howled" about as badly before that road was constructed, and as the howl was changed to a hum of industry by that road, so we fancy the tone of Central British Columbia will be changed by a railway. We fancy also that one would find very considerable "howling wilderness" on the proposed Coast-Kootenay line. It is, indeed, rather a remarkable objection to make against a development railway that the country sought to be opened is as yet undeveloped. But the objection is not well taken. Cariboo is not a howling wilderness. It is on the contrary one of the most promising regions in the whole Province, and it only needs a railway to the Coast to become the scene of remarkable prosperity. The World will hardly go on record as denying this.

In regard to the road from Penticton to the Boundary Creek district, it is admittedly desirable that immediate steps should be taken to afford railway connection between that valuable region and the Coast at the earliest possible day. There will certainly be great mining development all through the Kettle River country this year. We want the trade built up there brought to the Coast and to come as soon as possible. This can be done by rail to Penticton, from which point connection can be made via Okanagan lake with the Shuswap & Okanagan railway to the Canadian Pacific. The distance will be greater than by a direct line from Penticton to Hope and thence along the south shore of the Fraser to Vancouver, but all the requirements of trade could be very well met by it for the immediate future. If traffic makes a line to compete with the Canadian Pacific necessary and a route through the mountains to Hope is not too expensive to be feasible, the legislature can easily provide a subsidy for it. For the purpose of settling the feasibility of such a line from a commercial standpoint a survey is desirable, and we understand it is the intention of the government to have one made. The attitude, therefore, of the government towards the line from the Coast to the Kootenay may be defined as an intention to provide a subsidy for that part of the road which ought to be built immediately—namely, the line from Penticton to Boundary Creek—and also for that portion of that line which will afford railway facilities to the farmers on the lower Fraser, with a survey of the gap between these two portions. This seems like a very reasonable proposition from every point of view.

In considering a railway policy it is necessary to look at things from a practical standpoint. The $4,000 subsidy would not be sufficient to secure the construction of a road from the Coast to Penticton. A Dominion subsidy would be needed, and a question will at once arise as to whether the Dominion is likely to subsidize a line to compete with the Canadian Pacific for local traffic. It is very likely that Dominion aid could be got for the proposed line from Penticton to Boundary Creek, for if this were built it would practically be an extension of the Shuswap & Okanagan, which the Dominion has already recognized. It would add immensely to the value of that road, which would thereafter doubtless earn the interest on its bonds and provide a sinking fund for their redemption. We cannot see a single objection that can be made to this piece of road, and cannot understand how any member of the legislature can justify opposition to it. That the subsidy bill does not also include a road from Chilliwack to Penticton is surely no objection to this part of it, especially as enough is left of the proposed loan to subsidize this portion of the Coast-Kootenay road if its construction is shown to be feasible from an engineering and commercial point of view.

FARMING IN BRITISH COLUMBIA.

The progress of mining development in this Province and the certainty of extensive railway operations in the near future mean much for British Columbia farmers. It is no exaggeration to say that within the next five years 1,000 miles of new railway will be either completed or in course of construction. The subsidy bill before the legislature provides for 400 miles of road which will certainly be built within that time. The Crow's Nest Pass road and others projected in Kootenay will almost make up the difference and there is certain to be railway extension on Vancouver island. The Canadian Pacific will build branches into the mineral lands lying immediately north of its main line, and if the Yukon country continues to advance as it now is doing railway connection up in that direction will be certain. In view of these and other considerations of a like character, it does not seem extravagant to estimate that within five years 1,000 miles of new railway will either be completed or begun. The average cost of such lines will probably be at least $20,000 a mile or $20,000,000 in all.

We do not know any way of estimating the probable outlay in connection with mining during that period. The recent discoveries as to the free milling quality of Trail Creek ores indicate such a revolution in gold mining that all available data are useless for calculations as to the future of this industry. The known silver lead deposits are becoming more numerous with each month's prospecting. It is surely not unreasonable to estimate that within five years 100,000 persons will be engaged in mining in various parts of the Province.

A very large portion of the vast outlay on account of railways, mining plant and mining labor, which it will be readily seen must in the next five years amount in the aggregate to more than $50,000,000, will be expended for food, for beef, mutton, pork, poultry, butter, cheese, eggs, fruit and vegetables. We enumerate only those articles of farm produce that can be profitably raised in this Province. What proportion the cost of these will form of the whole expense of feeding the workmen on railways and in the mining camps can only be roughly approximated, but it will run up into millions of dollars. The certainty of a great demand for British Columbia farm produce is thus demonstrated.

At present the home market is not supplied with home produce, and unless there is a great increase in the domestic supply a very large part, in fact the greater part, of the expenditure during the next few years for the articles above named will go out of the Province. We submit that no more serious question confronts the people of British Columbia than how to keep at home the immense sums which must be spent in the Province for articles that can be grown here as well as anywhere else in the world. It is not of importance only to the farmers, but to the merchants and to everyone else, no matter what his business may be. We have heard it alleged that one reason why the foreign supply of farm produce crowded out the domestic article is that our home farmers lack facilities of transport, which are not provided because the amount of produce to be moved is not large enough to make it an object for railway or steamboat managers to cater for it. There is probably something in this, and it seems as if the way to overcome the difficulty is for the farmers to co-operate. Thus, let the farmers in any community which lacks regular communication meet in the spring and decide in a general way as to what they can produce during the coming season and, having ascertained this, let them go to the managers of transportation lines with some definite proposition. We fancy that something might be done in this way.

We recognize, however, that the most profitable discussion of this matter will be among the farmers themselves, and what is advanced above is simply intended to induce such a discussion. All that a newspaper can do is to keep the actual facts of the case before their attention. In his budget speech the Premier referred to the importation of farm produce from the state of Washington. Six years ago that state, like British Columbia, was sending away for most of its produce. The press kept up an agitation for a change and the farmers responded to it, so that now the domestic supply in some lines is greater than the home demand, and in others is very nearly equal to it. Probably a similar result would follow a similar agitation here. At least it is well worth while to make every possible effort to keep in the Province the millions which within the next few years will be paid out for produce which our farmers can raise.

MGR. MERRY DEL VAL has been interviewed. That is, a newspaper man talked to him in New York; but it is not easy to determine who did the interviewing. The report recalls the story of an American congressman, who was waited upon by an indignant delegation of constituents. He received them with courtesy, listened to them with dignity, and when the spokesman closed his remarks by asking in impassioned tones: "Why did you do it?" he bowed in the politest way and said: "That is a question, and I never answer questions."

THE Columbian complains because the provincial government is not going to get cheap money for the farmers. Will our contemporary kindly formulate a plan by which this could be done? We ask the question in good faith, for it would be exceedingly interesting to have all the talk about "cheap money" crystallized into something resembling a business proposition.

THE Kamloops Sentinel clamored for the disallowance of the B. C. Southern charter. It had the courage to do what some other papers only hoped to see done. Fortunately for the cause of local self-government, it was disappointed. We commend its courage, but cannot endorse its judgment.

THE CANADIAN PRESS.

THE ESTIMATES.

The appropriations on the whole are quite satisfactory to this district as a whole.—Wellington Enterprise.

A NEEDED RAILWAY.

There should be aid extended to a railroad to Cariboo. It might be sufficient if it started from the head of Butte Inlet. This would bring the rich gold fields of that region within reach of the Coast, and steamers would furnish the necessary additional transportation facilities.—Comox News.

VICTORIA FIRST.

The Pacific coast papers are, with good reason, "whooping up" their maritime greatness. It certainly is something for the port of Victoria to point to the fact that it leads in the way of tonnage. The returns show that during the last year 1,386 vessels, with a tonnage of 929,669, entered the port, a falling off from the previous year, but still leaving it first, Montreal coming second.—Ottawa Free Press.

BY WAY OF VARIETY.

He—I suppose your thoughts were all on your new bonnet during the sermon this morning?

She—No, indeed, they were not!

"I don't believe you can repeat anything that was said during the service."

"Yes, I can, too. I heard a lady behind me say: 'Isn't it stunning?'"—Yonkers Statesman.

"I confess that the building is not what I expected to find it," said the visiting Southerner, who was taking a look at the Masonic Temple for the first time.

"Wherein does it come short?" asked his Northern brother.

"It comes about eleven stories short of my expectation," rejoined the visitor. "That is all. I supposed the highest degree members met on the thirty-third floor."—Chicago Tribune.

O would some power
Dame Nature gave us,
To shave ourselves
As others shave us.
—Yale Record.

"What was the nature of the trouble you had with your last nurse girl?" "She didn't like it because I asked her to stay at home with the children."—Judge.

"Truth crushed to earth will rise again," quoted the earnest man. "That's true," replied Senator Sorghum, "but in many cases not until after the referee has counted 10."—Washington Post.

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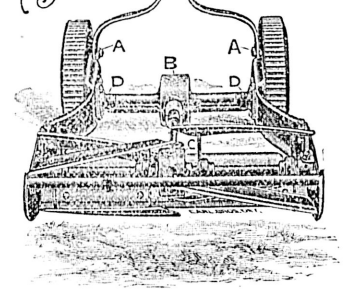

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THE CITY.

THE Full court met yesterday morning and adjourned until the 3rd of May.

THE Texada-Kirk Lake Mining Company has taken offices in the Board of Trade building.

MRS. H. H. METCH of Nanaimo proved victorious in the Sunlight soap competition for January, second honors—and prize—being secured by Mr. J. E. Scarlett of this city.

THE young ladies of the Reformed Episcopal church promise to eclipse all previous efforts in the same direction at their Easter bazaar, the date for which is Tuesday the 20th.

TO-DAY we start our four magnificent soda fountains running. Delightful sodas will be served in all flavors, and only pure fruit juices will be used. Lawrence, 75 Government street. x

VOLUNTEER vocalists and instrumentalists from the R.M.A. contributed to the programme at an at home provided for their friends last evening by Fidelity lodge, I.O.G.T., of Spring Ridge.

MR. S. B. NETHERBY, who has conducted the Y.M.C.A. book-keeping class during the past winter, will this evening give his class a written examination, as a result of which certificates will be awarded.

A SECOND public meeting convened by the Victoria Workingmen's Assembly and looking to the permanent organization of the skilled and unskilled labor of the city, is to be held at Sir William Wallace hall to-morrow night.

MAGISTRATE MACRAE has determined to make an example of the next bad boy brought before him charged with breaking windows or committing other depredations in untenanted houses. He gave fair warning in this regard yesterday, when discharging with some good advice a number of young culprits who have promised better behavior for the future.

HAVING acquired the necessary right-of-way the promoters of the Seattle-Tacoma cinder path expect to commence construction during the present month, and have their large undertaking complete within 60 days. The boulevarde is promised to be one of the most delightful in the country, and a standing advertisement to the enterprise of the rival cities.

MANY a farmer may be, and doubtless is, in blissful ignorance of the fact—but it is nevertheless true that by section 3 of the Animals' Act of 1896 swine are absolutely prohibited from running at large. Samuel Fairclough of Saanich did not know this or had forgotten it, until reminded by a summons handed him by Constable Ego. Yesterday he acknowledged his fault to Magistrate Macrae and paid a fine of $5, with $3.50 costs.

PETITIONS apparently intended for presentation to the legislature have been in circulation in Victoria during several days past, their object as set forth being to "secure such legislation as will prohibit the display in British Columbia of all indecent and obscene, lewd or suggestive pictures, posters, or other similar matter"—newspaper illustrations and theatrical papers being especially referred to. The petitions are obtaining numerous signatures, although there are many who decline on the ground that the general law of Canada already meets the case amply.

OF 316 Japanese immigrants landed in Honolulu by the Sakura Maru on the 20th of March, 163 will be returned to Japan by that steamer on her return from Seattle. This is the result of an investigation into the financial standing of the immigrants, those returned being absolute paupers and had been brought out under contract by mercantile companies. A writ of habeas corpus was taken out in favor of one of those rejected, but the Supreme court on the 17th dismissed the petition on the grounds that the court had no right to inquire into the decision of the deputy collector-general.

CHARLES THOMAS HAY ADAIR, whose opportunities for becoming acquainted with the beauties of Victoria have been sadly restricted since his arrival from Australia, Saturday, is still a guest at provincial headquarters. No reply has yet been received to the cablegrams announcing his arrest, although a return message is looked for hourly, and hence it is not known whether an officer from "the other side" will come for him or one of the British Columbia police enjoy a trip to Australia. The prisoner has decided to make "a clean breast of everything," and only asks for the opportunity to waive all formalities, so that he may return by the steamer on which he had sought to reach a haven of refuge.

Millinery Opening
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To-Day.

Twenty-one pounds granulated sugar for $1.00. Hardress Clarke. x

THE Friendly Help Association will hold their regular monthly meeting this morning at 11 o'clock.

BISHOP PERRIN will hold his Bible reading in Christ Church cathedral at 3 o'clock this afternoon as usual.

THE teacher of telegraphy who advertised in the COLONIST is requested to call and get a letter for him addressed "X."

THE hospital board held their general meeting for the month on Wednesday evening, at the offices of Messrs. Yates & Jay.

CANDY specials to-day. 1,000 pounds of cream candies; the regular 50 cent kind, reduced to 20 cents pound. At McCulloch's old stand, 34 Government street. Lawrence, the confectioner. x

MR. and Mrs. Edouard St. John will contribute to the musical programme arranged for this evening's concert at Semple's hall, Victoria West. A dance is to conclude the attractions of the evening.

FROM present appearances the expectation that the new provincial buildings will be ready for the formal opening during the present session of the house appears destined not to be realized. The work progresses surely—but slowly.

NO. 2 COMPANY, Fifth Regiment, has challenged No. 3 for a game of basket-ball in the shed on Friday next. Members of these companies are requested to turn out for practice on Thursday, and the teams will then be picked out from the men turning up.

FIDELITY Juvenile Temple of Good Templars give a concert in the Temperance hall this evening. The programme, which is to be all given by the little folks, promises something exceptionally good in the way of songs, recitations and dialogues. In anticipation of a crowded house all desiring to attend are requested to be on hand early in order to secure seati. The Good Templars of Spring Ridge had a very enjoyable meeting last evening, when they were addressed by the Rev. P. C. L. Harris.

F. W. MCTAVISH, a Scottish mining engineer, who is credited with having been sent here as the representative of a strong old country syndicate to inquire into the value of the Alberni mines, was at the Dominion last evening. Questioned as to the character of his mission and the intentions of his principals, he sagely and impressively observed:

"Silence is golden!"

From which, taken with the fact that he declined to commit himself further, it is to be presumed he is decidedly opposed to bi-metallism.

"HANDSOME HARRY" has always imagined himself a very ——ing sort of a fellow, ever since he came to this country from the land that to him is 'ome, where they gave him his significant title. Yesterday morning however he found himself the solitary occupant of the city police court dock, charged with being a ,n drunk, constable: Cameron having gathered him in during the previous evening. His discomfiture was complete when the Magistrate, after ?ing him a little, intimated that he was an * his reputation, as he had, and looking ++ at him informed him that his midnight cavorting must at once and finally come to a .. The necessary promise being given the penitent was discharged.

VIGOROUS efforts are being made by residents of the Gulf islands to secure a suitable steamer to take the place of the old Mary Hare and provide a daily or tri-weekly service to Sidney. The convenience of being able to reach Victoria with little loss of time was much appreciated by the islanders when the Mary Hare was in service, but not until she was burned did they realize fully how much they owed to the enterprise of the V. & S. railway people. Should it be decided to resume the steamer connection, fly fishermen who have tried the island lakes and streams with pleasurable results will be able to enjoy good sport, for the fish at Salt Spring are said to be especially numerous this season.

THE first meeting of the newly elected benchers of the law society of British Columbia, was in session yesterday afternoon and evening and was well attended. One of the most important matters coming up was the filling of the treasurer's position recently vacated through the death of the Hon. A. N. Richards, Q.C. Hon. E. C. Pooley, Q.C., was elected to the position and following this came the reappointment to the secretaryship of Mr. P. S. Lampman. Mr. Lindley Crease was appointed examiner for the preliminary examinations and Messrs. George Jay and Gordon Hunter, law examiners. Mr. E. A. Crease was called to the bar and was, as was also Mr. C. J. Prior, admitted as a solicitor. W. A. Galliher, of Rossland, has passed his examination and will be called and admitted to the bar on Thursday.

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Thomas E. Kitchen, M. P. P., Passes Away From the Scenes of His Long Continued Usefulness.

An Earnest and Zealous Champion of Public Rights and Interests.

Thomas Edwin Kitchen, member of the Legislative Assembly for Chilliwack division of Westminster district, and reeve of the thriving district which has so long been his home, died at an early hour yesterday morning, surrounded by his family and the members of the little community of whose rights and interests he has ever been a zealous champion. His illness had been protracted and severe, and his friends at the Capital noted with pained surprise the change which had taken place when Mr. Kitchen arrived at the opening of the present session to take his place among the lawmakers of the province. He found his physical strength insufficient for the task imposed by his legislative duties, and his seat has in consequence been vacant save for two days since the opening of the present session.

And yet few were prepared for the sad news received yesterday morning, in consequence of which the house adjourned with sincerest expressions of regret from both government and opposition, the vacant chair being significantly draped in black and the desk adorned with a fragrant cross of flowers, a silent token of the regret of his fellow parliamentarians.

THE LATE THOS. E. KITCHEN

The late Mr. Kitchen was a native of Haverthwaite, Windermere, Eng., and was born December 18, 1852. His education was received at the home of his boyhood, and so great an interest did he even thus early in life manifest in school affairs that at 21 he was found engaged in educational work himself, first as pupil teacher and then as master in the National schools at Wimbledon. The new world had its allurements, however, and the early 80's found him already recognized as one of the most prosperous, progressive and practical of the thrifty farmers of the Fraser river country. In 1882 he was united in marriage with Margaret Skongoard, of Bornholm, Denmark, and very shortly afterwards he found himself, almost against his will, a conspicuous figure in the affairs of the municipality whose prosperity his best efforts were continually put forth to secure. From municipal to provincial politics was with him a natural evolution. He was first returned as the representative of his home district at the 1890 general election, when he sought the votes of his constituency as an Independent. The succeeding sessions fully demonstrated his worth, and his unswerving devotion to what he believed the true interests of his district and the province, so that when he sought a renewal of confidence at the polls in 1894 as an oppositionist, it was accorded him. As a public man he labored until the end in behalf of those whose representative he was, even at a sacrifice of bodily strength which he could ill afford to make. Bright's disease had fastened upon him some years ago, and although every recourse of medical science was taken advantage of, the deadly malady could not be shaken off.

His private life had shown him a faithful and trustworthy friend, direct and straightforward in his dealings, yet charitable in his judgment of men and motives and always ready to extend a helping hand. His public career only intensified and made more noticeable these marked traits of his character. Thoroughness and a devotion to duty made him a valued and reliable member of his party and of the house. Indefatigable in his committee work and particularly well informed on every question touching municipality affairs particularly, his services to his constituents outside the halls of legislation were of great value, while on the floor of the house he was ever ready to debate questions of public concern—impressing both sides with his earnestness and honesty of purpose, as well as his careful research and his perfection of detail, fact and figure. Outspoken, and himself looking for no mercy in debate, he was an unsparing debater—and yet supporters of the government as well as members of his own party remained his staunch friends, no man in provincial affairs being more generally respected by men of all political complexions even to the close of his career.

In his rural home his popularity among those who knew him best was time and again emphatically demonstrated at the polls, his personal worth and his indomitable grit which enabled him to bear up so long under the heavy burden of failing health, being most emphatically demonstrated. When he was first elected to the legislature in 1890 it was generally believed that he could not live to take his seat in the house—yet for seven sessions he discharged his duties as a member. When the municipal elections were held in Chilliwack last January he was confined to his bed by illness; yet his constituents again chose him as their reeve.

Appropriate references to the value of his services to the country were made in the legislature yesterday from both sides of the house, and when the house adjourned in token of respect to his memory it was after adopting the following significant resolution:

"Resolved, That the members of this legislative assembly learn with deep regret of the death of Thomas E. Kitchen, Esq., late member for Chilliwack, and desire to express their sincere appreciation of the great loss this house and the province of British Columbia have sustained thereby. It is further resolved that the sincerest sympathy of the members of the legislature be extended to his widow in her bereavement; and as a further mark of respect it is resolved that the house be adjourned until two o'clock on Tuesday next."

This has been transmitted by Mr. Speaker with a suitable letter of condolence, while the assembly has sent a floral token of their sympathy to be laid upon the bier, and Mr. Sword will attend the funeral to-morrow as the special delegate of the opposition members.

THE name of Frederick Kaye, the old man who died some weeks ago in the Jubilee hospital from softening of the brain while the adjustment of his affairs was about to be effected in court, is not yet out of date in the legal world. On Friday last, Mr. Luxton, of Messrs. Davie, Pooley & Luxton, acting for the official administrator, and Mr. Wm. Monteith, made a motion for the recovery of all the old man's papers, his bank book, etc., representing in all $1,100 in cash, besides considerable real estate. These documents have been in the possession of Mrs. White, proprietress of the Brunswick hotel, where the deceased had lived some time previous to his removal to the Jubilee hospital. They were held by Mrs. White as having been formally transferred to her by the deceased some time previous to his death. Mr. Robert Cassidy appeared contra. The papers were impounded and the order made.

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illness; yet his constituents again chose him as their reeve.

Appropriate references to the value of his services to the country were made in the legislature yesterday from both sides of the house, and when the house adjourned in token of respect to his memory it was after adopting the following significant resolution:

"Resolved, That the members of this legislative assembly learn with deep regret of the death of Thomas E. Kitchen, Esq., late member for Chilliwack, and desire to express their sincere appreciation of the great loss this house and the province of British Columbia have sustained thereby. It is further resolved that the sincerest sympathy of the members of the legislature be extended to his widow in her bereavement; and as a further mark of respect it is resolved that the house be adjourned until two o'clock on Tuesday next."

This has been transmitted by Mr. Speaker with a suitable letter of condolence, while the assembly has sent a floral token of their sympathy to be laid upon the bier, and Mr. Sword will attend the funeral to-morrow as the special delegate of the opposition members.

THE name of Frederick Kaye, the old man who died some weeks ago in the Jubilee hospital from softening of the brain while the adjustment of his affairs was about to be effected in court, is not yet out of date in the legal world. On Friday last, Mr. Luxton, of Messrs. Davie, Pooley & Luxton, acting for the official administrator, and Mr. Wm. Monteith, made a motion for the recovery of all the old man's papers, his bank book, etc., representing in all $1,100 in cash, besides considerable real estate. These documents have been in the possession of Mrs. White, proprietress of the Brunswick hotel, where the deceased had lived some time previous to his removal to the Jubilee hospital. They were held by Mrs. White as having been formally transferred to her by the deceased some time previous to his death. Mr. Robert Cassidy appeared contra. The papers were impounded and the order made.

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THE SMELTER PROJECT.

Promoters Meet a Joint Committee of Citizens Changes Proposed.

Messrs. Remington and Selover met a joint committee of the board of trade and the city council yesterday morning at 11 o'clock, for the purpose of discussing the proposals made looking to the erection of a smelter in or near Victoria. Mayor Redfern presided and the whole matter was fully gone into, although the committee expressed a wish to have more definite information, at the same time suggesting certain modifications in the proposal as submitted.

One was that the promoters of the scheme should furnish satisfactory evidence of their financial ability to carry out the undertaking; another that the plans and specifications of the proposed smelter be laid before the committee in order that a reliable estimate might be obtained as to the probable cost of the plant, buildings, etc.; and a third that the bonus be paid in three equal annual instalments, the amount of the bonus to be equal to one-third the value of the plant when erected complete and ready for work. Thus if the total outlay is $450,000, the bonus will be $150,000, but if the cost is proved to be less than the first named figure, then the bonus to be in proportion.

The promoters objected to the payments of the bonus as proposed by the committee, but the latter insisted upon the change as giving some sort of a guarantee that the works would be operated continuously. Mr. Remington and Mr. Selover, in answer to this last objection, pointed out that the mere expenditure of a sum very much in excess of the bonus was the very best guarantee possible for continuity of operation.

Without these alterations it was shown that the project would not be acceptable to the ratepayers, whereas if the promoters would incorporate the changes indicated in their proposal it was evident that an agreement could be arrived at. No decision was come to and the meeting adjourned until 10 o'clock this morning, when the matter will be disposed of in one way or the other.

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CANNED SALMON.

An Emphatic Denial by Professor Prince to the Statements Against the Industry.

Mr. Wood Though Ready Enough to Assert Supplies no Evidence in Support.

Some time ago a letter over the signature C. Wood appeared in the London Globe making damaging statements against the salmon canning industry. The following taken from the same paper (the Globe, March 17), pretty well disposes of Mr. Wood, especially as he does not back up his assertions by one scrap of evidence:

Our readers will probably remember a very circumstantial letter which appeared in this journal over the signature "C. Wood" a few days ago upon the dangers of canned fish from Canada. In that letter specific reference was made to one cannery, the name of which Mr. Wood undertook, in certain contingencies, to supply. In another column will be found a letter from the offices of the High Commissioner for Canada, in which Mr. Colmer reiterates the unqualified contradiction given to Mr. Wood by the Government Commissioner of Fisheries and the local resident Inspector of Fisheries in British Columbia, and gives extracts from his correspondence with Mr. Wood.

We are bound to say that the refusal of Mr. Wood to supply the name of the cannery in question to the Canadian government, in response to an official request, deprives his original letter of all value in our eyes, Unless Mr. Wood is prepared to furnish the name of the cannery under conditions which will allow of his accusation being tested—which we, in publishing his letter, of course believed to be the case—common justice requires that the unqualified contradiction of the Canadian government should be accepted, on the simple ground that there is no evidence the other way.

THE DANGERS OF FISH FOOD.

SIR:—I beg leave to refer to the letter in your issue of the 10th inst., signed "C. Wood," which contains certain allegations of a damaging nature respecting the important industry of salmon canning in British Columbia. A synopsis of Mr. Wood's letter was at once transmitted by telegraph to the Canadian government. I have now received the following telegram from the Hon. L. H. Davies, the Minister of Marine and Fisheries of Canada, requesting me to contradict officially the statements made by Mr. Wood:—

"Professor Prince, Dominion fisheries commissioner, who personally inspected British Columbia salmon canneries and spent considerable time at Steveston, thoroughly conversant with methods of canning, concurs with local fishery inspector, who is fully informed about facts, in giving unqualified contradiction to Mr. Wood's statements, which are direct variance with all official and other information. Give fullest publicity this contradiction."

I may add that on the 11th inst. I telegraphed and wrote to Mr. Wood, requesting to be furnished with the name of the cannery alluded to by him, which information he stated in his letter to you he would readily give. On the 12th inst. he wrote to me as follows:

"Your letters of yesterday's date. In my letter to the Globe I did certainly say that I would readily give the name of cannery but I meant to that journal, or if official action were taken. I have had a shoal of letters from journalists, merchants, and others asking the same information but I think it would be unwise to afford it at present. I should not be averse to tell you or the high commissioner personally the name of the cannery, if, at the same time, I could give you full, and comprehensive particulars, some of which I could not mention in my letter to the Globe. I could go to London for the express purpose if you would come to make an appointment, giving me one clear day's notice. As I have suffered a comparatively heavy loss through the cannery manager's dealing with bad fish, I could not afford to wait upon you unless my railway and hotel expenses were paid. I am advised not to write any further particulars."

In a further letter to Mr. Wood I pointed out that my request to him for the name of the cannery was an official one, and that I wished to communicate it to the Canadian government for the purpose of investigation. Mr. Wood in his replay, dated yesterday, states: "Yours of the 13th inst. Sorry I cannot write you the particulars. So soon as the first salmon ship arrives I intend to give information to market inspectors or other officials at Liverpool. I told the directors of the company of actual state of affairs before writing the Globe, but was defied, etc. If I were not debarred by legal advice from writing you the details, it would be a most formidable task to properly convey to you all you should know to complete the case."

Your readers will be able to place their own interpretation upon Mr. Wood's letters to me and form their own conclusions as to the reasons which lead him to decline to supply the information necessary to enable the inquiry into his and your suggestion of an inquiry into the matter to be carried out.

In conclusion I may state that the correspondence has been forwarded to the Minister of Marine and Fisheries. In the meantime I am sure your readers in the Globe will give due weight and credence to the unqualified contradiction of the statements made by Mr. Wood by such disinterested authorities as given by Professor Prince, the Government Commissioner of Fisheries, and the local resident Inspector of Fisheries in British Columbia.—I am, Sir, your obedient servant, J. G. COLMER,

Offices of the High Commissioner for Canada, 17 Victoria street, London, S. W., March 16.

SIR,—I have read "Chilliwack's letter in your issue of the 15th inst.," and must confess it astounded me. I have resided in British Columbia during the last six years, and have yet to learn that the cannery men are a very influential class in the country." I may add that I have no interest in any cannery, nor do I know a single cannery man, in fact, I do not know why I am answering this letter at all, unless it is from the English sentiment of fairplay, which dislikes to see anyone unfairly and unjustly attacked. As medical officer to the Canadian Pacific railway in the interior of British Columbia, my duties afford me little opportunity of studying the details of the canning industry (which is carried on at the coast some 200 miles distant); but, nevertheless, I will venture to challenge the bulk of the statements in the letter referred to as being, if not inaccurate, then grossly exaggerated. I will venture to assert that the fish are never canned while in a state "anything but fit for human food," and I most emphatically deny that the canning industry benefits only a few, or that only Chinamen are employed in the canneries. It is easy to disprove one statement in this letter which will amply show the value of the others. It is claimed that the Fraser river is contaminated by the offal thrown into it, and that thereby the water is unfit for cleansing anything intended for human food. Anyone knowing the Fraser river will easily understand how ridiculous such an assertion must be, for it is a vast body of water rushing down from the Rocky Mountains, swollen by the snows from immense glaciers and the waters of countless mountain creeks. Indeed, the Thames is but a mere streamlet in comparison with the Fraser. Moreover, there is a strong tide at the mouth of the river, and it is absurd to claim that the waters of such a river can be much contaminated by the offal of a few canneries. Nor do I believe that the law regarding the offal is not rigidly enforced, for it is invariably otherwise in British Columbia. There is a provincial board of health there and a provincial health officer. I will venture to assert that they will confirm my statements. The actual fishermen who supply the canneries are white men and Indians. The Chinaman, though possibly he does the dirty work, such as cleaning the fish, etc., is no fisherman. I will leave it to someone who is interested in the canning industry to bring forward proofs that my statements are correct; and, further, if it is allowable to do so through the medium of your columns, I will wager the writer of the letter referred to any reasonable sum he likes to name that he cannot substantiate a single statement that he has made in that letter. My name is well-known in British Columbia, and my assertions, if incorrect, could be easily disproved. Apologizing for thus airing my views, and trusting that my zeal for common sense and justice will make amends for my lack of literary skill, I remain, yours faithfully,

T. W. LAMBERT, M.B. (Cantab).

March 16.

PRESIDENT KRUGER'S

Little Bill Did Not Hurt the Kaffirs on the London Stock Market.

NEW YORK, April 5.—The Evening Post's London dispatch says: "Stock markets were stagnant but better to-day on cheap money. Consols were 111⅛ for buyers. Foreigners were better on the improvement in Paris. Kaffirs were improved for the same reason, despite President Kruger's little bill. Home rails were strong. Americans were neglected but steady, the only feature being the strength of New York Central on a funding scheme.

NEW YORK, April 5.—Closing quotations: Atchison, 10⅜; New Jersey 77⅜; C. B. & Q., 70⅜; C. C. C. & St. Louis, 29⅞; D. & H., 104¾; D.L. & W., 151½; L. & N., 45½; Mo. Pac., 15¼; N. Y. C., 99¾; N. P., pfd., 33¾; P. M., 26¾; Wabash, pfd., 12¾; W. U., 79⅞.

MONTREAL, April 5.—Commercial Cable, 165⅝; Can. P. in London, 49⅜.

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PROVINCIAL LEGISLATURE.

Third Session of the Seventh Parliament.

THIRTY-EIGHTH DAY.

MONDAY, April 5, 1897.

The Speaker took the chair at 2 o'clock.

Prayers were read by the Rev. J. B. Haslam.

The Speaker announced that he had just received a telegram announcing the death in the morning of the hon. member for Chilliwack—Mr. Thomas E. Kitchen. He said that he had ordered the chair of the deceased gentleman to be covered with crape, and he left hon. members to pay such further tribute as they might think necessary to honor the memory of one who had so long represented a constituency in the house.

Hon. Premier Turner said—Mr. Speaker, I only heard of the death of the member for Chilliwack shortly before the house met. I at once consulted the leader of the opposition and, in conjunction with him, I have prepared the following resolution: "Resolved, that the members of the legislative assembly learn with deep regret of the death of Thomas E. Kitchen, late member for Chilliwack, and desire to express their sincere appreciation of the great loss that the legislature and the province of British Columbia has sustained thereby; it is further resolved that the sincerest sympathy of the members of the legislature be extended to the widow in her bereavement, and as a further mark of respect that this house do stand adjourned till 2 o'clock on Tuesday afternoon." In moving that resolution, Mr. Speaker, it is unnecessary for me to say much. We all knew Mr. Kitchen as one of the most energetic members of this house. He was a man who, we felt convinced, always worked for what he considered the right. I think he possessed more energy than any man I have seen in the province. In sickness or in health he was always in his place here contending for what he believed to be the best interests of the country. Of course he has always been on the other side of the house to me, but I always respected him, and I am sure all the members on this side, as well as those opposite, had the same feeling. He was a man of advantage to any country, and was always looking out for what he thought would benefit the province. I think, sir, I may sum up his virtues by saying that he was a thoroughly honorable and honest man, and that he did, in his way, the best for his country that was possible.

Mr. Semlin said—Mr. Speaker, in rising to second the resolution that this house adjourn out of respect to the memory of Mr. Kitchen, it is with a great deal of feeling that I endorse the words that have fallen from the leader of the government. Probably no other member fought more determinedly than did Mr. Kitchen in the last years of his life. The hon. gentleman referred to the energy he displayed in standing up for what he considered the right. I fully agree with all he said, and I feel that in the death of Mr. Kitchen, not only this house, but this province, has sustained a great loss. Mr. Kitchen was a thoroughly conscientious man, a keenly intelligent politician, and he had the good of the country thoroughly at heart. Although weighed down by sickness he, nevertheless, attended the sittings of the house, day after day, almost year after year, and he never shirked any particular duty that devolved upon him; in fact, as I said before, he was earnest and conscientious in doing what he felt was right. Of course, we on this side of the house say he was right—we say that with all due deference to gentlemen opposed to us—and we claim that Mr. Kitchen pursued the course that he considered, and that we consider, the true one. In all matters, not only in his public life but in his private capacity, Mr. Kitchen was a man worthy of all respect and commendation, and I am glad that the house so thoroughly appreciates the worth of a great man. The assembly has suffered a bereavement and the country a loss, and I quite agree that out of respect to Mr. Kitchen the house should adjourn.

The motion was carried, and Mr. Speaker said that the resolution in being forwarded to Chilliwack would be accompanied by a letter from him of condolence to the widow.

The house adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

NOTICE OF MOTION.

By Mr. Graham—That a select committee, composed of Messrs. Rithet, Bryden, Huff, Williams, and the mover, be appointed for the purpose of enquiring into the subject-matter of the return presented to this house dealing with certain lands bought by Miss Davey, of Victoria, and claimed by Ruckle Bros. as a portion of their pre-emption, with power to call for persons, books and papers in connection therewith, and to report to this house from time to time.

NEW BILLS.

Mr. Macpherson has given notice to ask leave to introduce bills to further amend the 'Fire Insurance Policy Act, 1893, and to amend the Employers' Liability Act, 1891.'

REVIVE THE POTLATCH.

Mr. H. D. Helmcken Desires to See the Indians' Old Custom Re-Allowed.

Mr. H. D. Helmcken has a motion on the order paper of the legislature in favor of the renewal of the Indian potlatch. The resolution was down for discussion yesterday, but Mr. Kitchen's death caused its postponement till today. It runs as follows:

"Whereas by virtue of 58 and 59 Vic., ch. 35, s. 6, the Indian custom known as the potlatch was prohibited: and whereas the Indians have thereby become greatly disaffected, and the enforcement of such law is likely to cause serious trouble: be it therefore resolved, that an humble address be presented to His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor requesting him to make such representation to the government of the Dominion of Canada as will result in the immediate repeal of so much of the said section of the said statute as prohibits the said custom and will allow the Indians to enjoy such custom unmolested."

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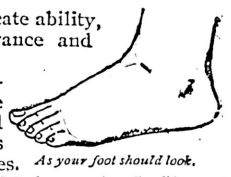

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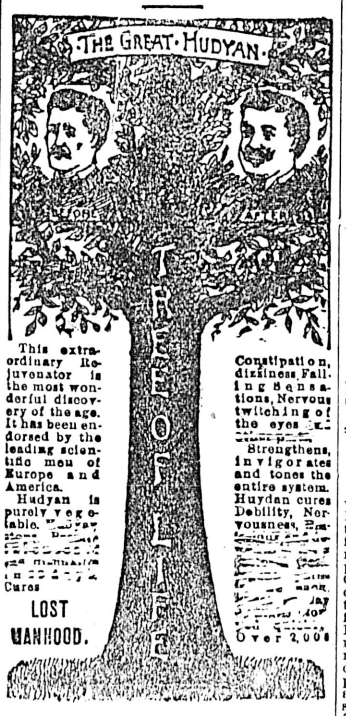

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Dated at the city of Victoria, British Columbia, this 9th day of March, 1897.

E. E. BILLINGHURST, Agent for the Applicants.

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NOTICES.

British Columbia Milling & Mining Co., (LIMITED.)

Location of Principal Place of Business, - Victoria.
Location of Works, - - - - - - - Cariboo.

Notice is hereby given that Call No. 26 of 1 cent. per share upon the members of the British Columbia Milling & Mining Co., Limited, made on the twenty-ninth day of June, A.D. 1896, is now due and unpaid in respect of the shares hereinafter specified, and that there are now due and unpaid upon the following described shares, on account of the said assessment, the several amounts set opposite the names of the respective holders of such shares, namely:

NAME.	No. of Certificate.	No. of Shares.	Amount.
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The above mentioned shares, or so many thereof as will cover the amount due, with interest at the rate of 1 per cent. per month from the thirtieth day of November, 1896, and expenses, will be sold by public auction, at the office of the said Company, No. 48 Langley St., Victoria, British Columbia, on Wednesday, the seventh day of April, 1897, at 12 o'clock noon.

Dated at Victoria, B.C., the 27th day of March, 1897. By Order of the Directors.

GEO. A. SARGISON, Secretary.

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British Columbia Milling and Mining Company, Limited.

Notice is hereby given that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the shareholders of the above named Company will be held at the Company's office, No 48 Langley street, Victoria, B.C., on Thursday, 8th April, 1897, at 11 o'clock a.m., to consider, and if approved, ratify the action of the directors in the sale of the property of the said Company, and to authorize the execution of sufficient deeds of conveyance.

Dated at Victoria, B.C., this eighth day of March, 1897.

By order.

GEO. A. SARGISON, Secretary.

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In the Matter of the Land Registry Act.

And in the Matter of the Title to Lot 994, in the City of Victoria.

Notice is hereby given that Gustav Sutro will be registered as the owner in fee of the above mentioned lot at the expiration of three calendar months from this date if no objection be made to the contrary within that time by some person claiming title to the same.

S. Y. WOOTTON, Registrar-General of Titles.

Land Registry Office, Victoria, January 19th, 1897. ja19

NOTICE.

Assessment Act and Provincial Revenue Tax.

NOTICE is hereby given, in accordance with the Statutes, that Provincial Revenue Tax and all taxes levied under the Assessment Act are now due for the year 1897. All of the above named taxes collectible within Victoria City, South Victoria and Esquimalt Electoral Districts, North Saanich, Rupert, Sayward, Quatsino, Coast and Queen Charlotte Island Land Districts, with parts of Barclay and Clayoquot Districts assessed by me, are payable at my office.

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Four-fifths of one per cent. on the assessed value of real estate, other than wild land.

Three quarters of one per cent. on the assessed value of personal property.

On so much of the income of any person as exceeds one thousand dollars the following rates, namely: Upon such excess, when the same is not more than ten thousand dollars, one and one-quarter of one per cent.; when such excess is over ten thousand dollars and not more than twenty thousand dollars, one and one-half of one per cent.; when such excess is over twenty thousand dollars, one and three-quarters of one per cent.

Three per cent. on the assessed value of wild land.

If paid on or before the 30th day of June, 1897:

Three-fifths of one per cent. on the assessed value of real estate, other than wild land.

One-half of one per cent. on the assessed value of personal property.

Upon such excess of income when the same is not more than ten thousand dollars one per cent.; when such excess is over ten thousand dollars and not more than twenty thousand dollars, one and one quarter of one per cent.; when such excess is over twenty thousand dollars, one and one-half of one per cent.

Two and one-half per cent. on the assessed value of wild land.

Provincial Revenue Tax, $3.00 per capita (residents of Victoria City excepted.)

CORNELIUS BOOTH, Assessor and Collector.

January 2nd 1897. ja12

COURTS of Assize and Nisi Prius, and of Oyer and Terminer and General Gaol Delivery, will be holden at the places and on the dates following, viz:—

City of Nelson, on Monday, the 21st day of June, 1897.

Town of Donald, on Monday, the 28th day of June, 1897.

By Command.

JAMES BAKER, Provincial Secretary.

Provincial Secretary's Office, 23rd March, 1897. mr26

"Land Registry Act."

In the matter of the application of Maurice Humber, of the City of Victoria, for a certificate of indefeasible title to subdivisions five (5), ten (10) and eleven (11), Topaze avenue, Victoria city, being part of section five (5), Victoria district, (Map 5), and to lots one (1), two (2) and three (3), block T, of the Work Estate, being part of section four (4), Victoria District.

Notice is hereby given that a certificate of indefeasable title to the above lands, will be issued to Maurice Humber on the 10th day of July, 1897, unless in the meantime a valid objection thereto be made to me in writing by some person claiming an estate or interest therein, or in some part thereof

"S. Y. WOOTTON," Registrar General.

Land Registry Office, Victoria, B. C., March 31, 1897. ap1

GEO. A. SARGISON,

NOTARY PUBLIC,

Accountant and Agent.

No 48 Langley Street.

ONE LITTLE HOUR ERE DAY.

The while I sleeping lay
One little hour ere day,
Before my window on the tree
A swallow sang this song to me,
One little hour ere day.

Now listen to my lay,
Thy lover I betray.
The while I sing this song to thee
Another maiden kisseth he,
One little hour ere day.

Oh, me, no further say!
Ah, hush, no more betray!
Fly, swallow, from my sill away.
Ah, love and faith, a dream are they
One little hour ere day.

—Eduard Moerike.

CHOLLY'S STORY.

It was too warm an evening, even for a smoking concert, Cholly said as he came out of his room, attired all in white, looking a perfect picture of manly beauty. Cholly was a blond specimen of the male sex, blue eyed, golden haired, a stalwart representative of the Saxon type. He was 27, well placed as regards this world's wealth and position. Life to him—thanks to old Egerton Bailey, his late father—was a pleasant pastime, the world a charmed play place, where girls worshiped him and men voted him a trump. So much for Cholly, debonair, kind hearted and handsome, who had traveled the world over, making friends wherever he went.

Cholly's prediction that it was too warm even for a smoking concert on this particular evening was verified by the slim attendance there on his arrival. Only eight men out of the 30 expected found their way to the usual rendezvous. By general agreement the music was banished, coats discarded, negligee attitudes assumed, and the eight men amused themselves by relating anecdotes and personal experiences.

"Ey the way, Cholly," at last a friend said to the blond Adonis, who, sprawled on a sofa, was listening quietly to the conversation, "you're very silent tonight. You've just arrived from the west too. Come, haven't you some blood curdling tale to tell us of western atrocities, cowboy 'breaks' or Coxey outrages? These fellows' stories are stale. We require something spicy to stir us up a night like this."

"Well, I did have an adventure, but its recital won't be spicy, Tracy. I don't think it will be the style you care for."

"Out with it! Out with it!" seven voices simultaneously exclaimed. "Is it a Christian Endeavor story, Cholly?" asked Tracy. "You do look awful solemn."

"No; it's a Sunday school talk," said Andy Vicars, a very young man with a new mustache and a drawl.

"All right," said Cholly quietly; "if you fellows don't be quiet, I won't tell it."

"Go on, Cholly. Don't mind the calves," grunted old Major Poole. "Tell us your story, man."

"It will interest you, major. Doubtless you remember the Donovans of Limerick—pretty Kate, they called one of them. I met them in Dublin."

"Do I remember her? May me eyes fall out of me head if I ever see her like again—eyes like violets, hair like ink and a skin like peaches and cream. And a figger! God bless you, boys, she had a figger like a goddess. She could ride cross country like a bird. Never saw such a rider before nor since. But, Cholly, me boy, I thought you were 'gone' in that direction. Oh, the pair you'd have made!"

Cholly blushed scarlet; the company exchanged glances. "Seems to me," said Andy Vicars, "that the major's telling this story. Go on, Cholly; hold the platform." So Cholly cleared his throat, as Andy said afterward he seemed mightily upset by the major's remarks, wiped the perspiration from his flushed face and began:

"You see, fellows, my story will have to consist of two parts, the introduction and the sequel. It begins in Ireland four years ago and ends in Canada four days ago. It was in Dublin that I first met Miss Kate Donovan of Limerick. She was a stunner, as the major says, the best cross country rider I ever saw. She was poor as a church mouse and proud as Lucifer. She was an orphan; had been brought up by her uncle, old Peter Donovan. He had three daughters of his own, but none of them could hold a candle to Miss Kate herself. From what I saw during the time I was in Dublin I don't think the trio cared much for pretty Kate; they were jealous of her and took pains to show it in many petty ways, particularly when Captain Gordon, who was considered a matrimonial catch, appeared on the scene and devoted himself to Kate."

"Captain Rupert Gordon of the Forty-seventh?" queried Major Poole.

"The very same, a dark beggar, with a bad mouth and lots of money.

"Well, he was the man that set all the Dublin girls wild. They literally honized him. He was douce enough there. He was asked everywhere, and old Peter Donovan was mad enough when he asked him for his niece and not for one of his daughters. They said the three girls never spoke to Kate for weeks.

"Poor Kate! She hardly knew what to do. She was very unhappy. She told me all about it one evening at a dance. She had a devil of a life in her uncle's house, and Gordon seemed very fond of her. She didn't know what he really was; neither did I, or I could have warned her. They were married in September. In November Gordon took her to the Riviera after the honeymoon was over. A fellow who met them there told me that Kate—that is, Mrs. Gordon—looked miserably unhappy, and people said Gordon ill treated her. However that may be, she did not stay with him very long. One day a woman appeared at the hotel where they were staying. She was a gaudily attired specimen, not overcultured. She registered as Mrs. Captain Gordon and forced herself into the Gordon private rooms. Gordon hadn't a word to say. He owned up that he had married her five years before somewhere, where his regiment was stationed—I forget where. There was a terrible scene, which ended by Kate leaving the hotel. No one knew where she went. My friend, an Englishman, who told me just what I have told you, tried to follow her and offered to do what he could for her in a monetary way. He was a gentleman and meant well by her. She refused all offers of assistance and disappeared as if the Mediterranean had swallowed her up. He heard of her again at Marseilles. She had been singing in a cafe there. She always had a passable voice and played the banjo well. Poor Kate! Her pride was dragged in the dust; her heart was broken."

Cholly paused to wipe the perspiration from his face and take a few sips from a tumbler beside him. The old major, for a wonder, kept silence, from time to time shaking his head sorrowfully.

"I suppose that is the first part of the story," broke in Andy Vicars. "It is deuced sad. Hope the little girl got back to her uncle."

"Uncle!" growled Major Poole. "Poor child! He didn't want her. He was a cruel hearted, mean old scoundrel, was Peter Donovan. He never treated the girl right when he had her."

Cholly nodded his head affirmatively to Major Poole's assertion and continued his story:

"This all happened four years ago. No one heard anything during that time of pretty Kate Donovan, for, you see, she wasn't Mrs. Gordon, after all. An aunt of hers did have the grace to write to me, making inquiries. She had heard that Kate was in the United States, in a place called Pennsylvania, and would I make inquiries, as I lived, no doubt, near there? You know, these old country people, as they call themselves, think that the United States are about as large as an English county."

"Do I know it?" interrupted the major. "Why, a lady in London once asked me to personally deliver a small parcel of china to her daughter because I lived in New York, near where her daughter was settled. I took the parcel, thinking to see the address of some street here. Where do you think the fair creature lived?"

"New Jersey?" hazarded Vicars.

"Maine?" queried another.

"No!" roared the major. "Idaho!"

"Guess you didn't accept the commission, major," said Cholly.

"Well, no. I relieved my mind by reciting sundry words not in Webster's Dictionary. Go on, my boy. Tell us all you know of pretty Kate Donovan."

"I came through Canada on my way from the west a few days ago," continued Cholly. "We changed cars at a place not far from Toronto and had some hours to wait for connection. Strolling around, I came to a place where a circus was in full swing—double tent, side shows, all complete. Consulting my watch, I found I had time to see the performance. An English steeplechase was advertised as the chief attraction. It had just commenced when I took my seat in the first row, close to the ring. I can hardly tell you my feelings when I recognized the first lady rider who entered. It was Kate Donovan."

"Good heavens!" ejaculated the major. "Come to that?"

"Yes; it was Kate, graceful, lithe, nervy as ever, looking like a queen among those painted judys and rough men."

"How could you sit there and see it?" groaned Major Poole.

"I hadn't to sit long. I recognized her instantly, and, poor girl, she saw me!"

"Knew you?" gasped the major.

"Yes; she turned pale under the horrible paint and rouge she was daubed with. Somehow she seemed to lose her nerve all of a sudden. The horse, a vicious black beast, swerved to one side suddenly—major, fellows, I cannot tell it, it was too horrible."

"Kate Donovan to lose her nerve on horseback? I cannot credit it," said the major in an awed tone.

"I was in the ring and by her side in a moment," Cholly continued, not noticing the major's interruption. "She knew me, poor girl, when her eyes opened for the first time. She died with her hands tightly clasped in mine."

"Did she say anything?" asked Andy Vicars. "Did she tell you anything?"

"If she did, you're not the one I'd repeat it to," said Cholly fiercely. "The last words of a poor dying girl are hardly club talk, not if I know it."

So saying, Cholly seized his coat and strode angrily from the room.

The other men looked at each other significantly.

"He's hit hard," said the major. "Poor fellow! If you had seen Kate, you'd not blame him. I always thought he liked her."

And Cholly, as he strode along the street homeward, cursed his own folly in telling the story of pretty Kate to such an audience. "As if they cared," he muttered. They were a set of hard hearted, cold, cynical men, and he (Cholly) was a fool for telling the story. Somehow he had never realized before that he had cherished an ideal for the past four years, and that ideal was the woman who but a few days before had died in his arms. Tell that idiot Vicars what she said? Cholly smiled grimly as the thought struck him, for only he knew what those last words had been. They echoed in his ears even now in the din and noise of the New York evening:

"Cholly, dear—dear Cholly!"

If she had only said them four years ago, he thought miserably as he shoved his key into the latch of his home door.

—Vanity.

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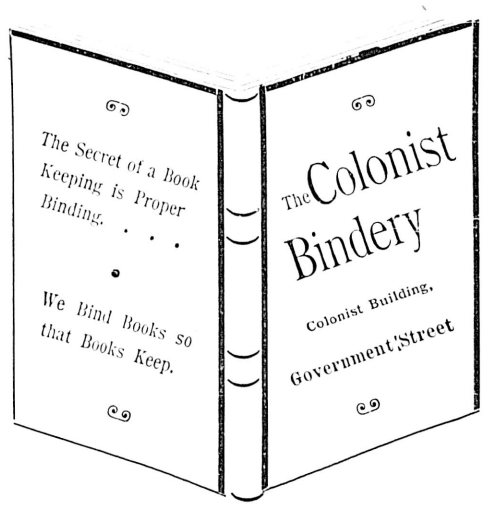

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Report for 24 hours ending 9 p.m.

1 a.m..	44°	Mean 45°	The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:
5 a.m..	40°		
9 a.m..	43°	Highest 52°	5 a.m.—Calm.
1 p.m..	52°		1 p.m.—8 S.E.
5 p.m..	49°	Lowest 39°	9 p.m.—Calm.
9 p.m..	42°		Rain—0.02. Cloudy. Sunshine—7h. 36m.

Barometer 9 a.m... Observed ..... 30.135 Reduced 30.110

ESQUIMALT STATION, April 5, 1897.
Report for 24 hours ending 9 p.m.

1 a.m..	38°	Mean 45°	The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:
5 a.m..	39°		
9 a.m..	44.	Highest 53°	5 a.m.—Calm.
1 p.m..	50°		1 p.m.—4 N.E.
5 p.m..	51°	Lowest 38°	9 p.m.—4 N.
9 p.m..	47°		Rain—.00. Cloudy. Sunshine—3h. 18m.

Barometer 9 a. m.... Observed .... 30.200 Reduced. 30.178

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PERSONAL.

Dr. A. C. West returned from the Sound by Sunday's City of Kingston.

Rev. A. B. Winchester has returned from a visit to the West Coast of the island.

D. Patterson and W. Lorimer arrived from Alberni by the steamer Tees on her trip just completed.

George Riley leaves to-day or to-morrow on an extended business and pleasure visit to Eastern Canada.

J. M. Dixon, of Millstream; R. C, Showen, of Portland, and Thos. Haden, New Whatcom, are guests at the Dominion.

E. W. Pratt, of Lenz & Leiser, has returned from the Kootenay country, whose prospects this season are, according to his report, like its output, golden.

THERE will be battalion drill for the three companies of the First this evening at the drill hall.

AT the Natural History Society meeting last night the chief topic was an interesting discussion on the Coast Indian.

HIS HONOR the Lieutenant-Governor yesterday received a telegram from Deputy Minister J. M. Courtney, asking that all Victoria contributions and lists in connection with the relief of the Indian famine sufferers be forwarded to Ottawa without delay, as an effort is being made to close the Canadian contribution. The contribution from this province will, it is expected, be the largest per capita in the Dominion.

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"OREALLA'S" ILL-LUCK.

One of the Salmon Fleet Loses Two Men on Her Way Home.

Steamer "Tees" Back From the Coast—The "Erin's Isle" Here Seeking.

The British ship Orealla, which loaded salmon on the Fraser in November last, is having a rough voyage home. She sailed on the 9th of that month in command of Captain Stewart, with 81,214 cases aboard for London, valued at $491,675. In lat. 30 S., long. 32 W., she was sighted, and signalled that she had had her decks swept and that two of her men were lost overboard. The meagre information to hand, which came from London, gives no particulars of the accident or the date on which it occurred, and it is probable that the vessel has by this time reached her destination.

RETURNS FROM THE COAST.

Having been no further up the coast than Ahousett, the C. P. N. steamer Tees, which returned to port early yesterday morning, brought news of only one sealer—the Fawn. She had secured her Indian crew at Clayoquot and was about to go to sea. The weather on the coast has been rough, according to the report of the Tees, and far from favorable for sealing. The steamer's passengers home were: Rev. A. B. Winchester, Miss Jacobson, D. Patterson, F. and L. Boardman, T. H. Fraser, A. La Valle, W. D. Daykin, W. A. Netherby, W. Lorimer, H. Disher, W. McDonald and T. Green.

ALASKA RUSH CONTINUES.

All passenger accommodations on the steamer Al-Ki, which sailed from the Sound yesterday afternoon for Alaska, have been sold. The steamer Mexico, which will sail April 9 for Alaska, will go to Dyea instead of to Sitka, as was formerly intended. The demand for passage to Dyea by miners for the interior of Alaska is the cause of the change.

MARINE NOTES.

The Dominion steamer Quadra is again in service, being just now engaged in conveying Captain Gaudin, the agent of marine and fisheries, around to several of the lighthouses on his annual official inspection.

Two of the Sound steamers were in port yesterday, both with produce from Dungeness. The Angeles brought in 26 tons of hay and potatoes, and the Enterprise 58 tons of similar freight.

H.M.S. Comus goes to Comox on Thursday, leaving only the Pheasant in port. Hearsay has it that the Amphion, now en route from England, will be here on or about the 21st.

The Northern Pacific liner Braemar left Victoria at 9:30 o'clock on Sunday night, after taking aboard some little freight and a few passengers for Oriental ports.

The Puget Sound tug Tyee arrived from sea yesterday with the British ship Erin's Isle, Capt. Dixon, thirty-two days out, from Acapulco, seeking.

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Str. Charmer	from	Vancouver.
" City of Kingston	"	Port Townsend.
" Rosalie	"	" "
" Umatilla	"	" "
" Angeles	"	Port Angeles.
" Tyee	"	" "
" Enterprise	"	" "
" Hope	"	Comox.
" Braemer	"	Tacoma.

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Str. Charmer	for	Vancouver.
" City of Kingston	"	Port Townsend.
" Rosalie	"	" "
" Umatilla	"	San Francisco.
" Angeles	"	Port Angeles.
" Tyee	"	" "
" Enterprise	"	" "
" Braemer	"	Yokohama.

MRS. WALKER, the matron of the B. C. Protestant Orphans' Home, thankfully acknowledges receipt of the following donations during the month of March: Four barrels apples, Messrs. Wilson; clothing, Mrs. Scott; vegetables, Mrs. J. Hutcheson; clothing, Miss Going; dry goods, Mrs. M. Adams; expressage of organ, M. Alexander; milk (daily), R. Knowles; clothing, Mrs. Kinsman; and sharpening knives and scissors, James Waites.

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GLISTENING GOLD.

The Frances Claim Proves a Moneymaker for the Victoria-Texada Company.

The rich strike of free gold, reported from Texada island in Sunday's COLONIST, was not from the Victoria company's claim after all, but from the Frances claim, the property of the Victoria-Texada Gold Mining Co. Immediately upon receipt of the news the company chartered the steamer Hope for a trip of investigation. She sailed Saturday night with Directors William Christie, Geo. L. Courtney and Anton Henderson, and Secretary J. Kingham, returning at an early hour yesterday morning.

Mr. Christie was spoken to by a COLONIST representative yesterday, and was jubilant over the prospects of his company. He states that the trip was a very satisfactory one, and that the new strike of free gold is a very rich one. A number of pretty samples of a bluish white quartz speckled with bright yellow gold in various sized spots, are exhibited around town, but the bulk of the specimens are on the steamer Maude, which called at the mine an hour before the Hope reached there. The new strike was not made in the present tunnel, but was found on a ledge about 50 feet to the westward. The place where the gold was knocked out of is covered by water at high tide, and some of the specimens are literally encased in barnacles. The new ledge is 4 to 5 feet wide and joins the ledge on which work is now being prosecuted, at a distance of 100 feet or so from the mouth of the tunnel. Another ledge joins it from the other side, so that when the tunnel has reached the junction of the three ledges, rich rock is expected. The tunnel is looking well and is coming into some fine looking copper-gold ore. The ledge is also widening and is now 8 to 9 feet in width.

Mr. Christie says he saw imbedded in the solid rock and glistening bright and yellow amongst the seaweed, a piece of solid gold about 2½ or 3 inches long by ⅛ inch in width. This has been left in place as a curiosity for the inspection of the numerous visitors to the spot. No work at all has been done on the new strike, what gold has been taken out having been knocked off with a hammer. Quite a number of prospectors are flocking to the island and they are beginning to penetrate the southerly end, which at present might be said to be absolutely unexplored country. A number of claims surrounding the Victoria-Texada Co's. properties will probably be worked vigorously now and a prosperous summer is looked forward to.

THE RACING SEASON.

Programme for the Annual Spring Meet at the Victoria Driving Park.

The Capitals are Getting Ready for the Opening of the Lacrosse Series.

The racing season at the Victoria Driving Park will open on Saturday, May 1, with the club spring meeting. It will be the first of a monthly series of local events, in which gentlemen riders and horses owned in the district only, will compete. All races at the Driving park during the season of 1897, will be run under the English rules of racing, and the following gentlemen will officiate as stewards at all meetings: Rear Admiral H. St. L. Bury Palliser, R. N.; G. A. Kirk, Hon. C. E. Pooley, James Dunsmuir, F. B. Pemberton, W. A. Ward, Major Dupont, A. E. McPhillips, A. C. Flumerfelt and D. R. Ker. The annual spring meeting will be given on Saturday, May 22, and Monday, May 24, the following being the programme:

SATURDAY, MAY 22.

1. Visitor's Plate, $100—Handicap; ¾ mile.
2. Victoria Stakes, $150—For 3-year-olds and upwards, bred in British Columbia, that have never won first money in value $100; 1 mile.
3. Welter Stakes, $100—½ mile and repeat; to carry 21 lbs. over-weight for age.
4. Midget Plate, $50—For horses not over 14 hands 2 inches in height; ½ mile.

SECOND DAY, MONDAY, MAY 24.

5. Champion Stakes, $150—1½ mile; horses bred and raised in British Columbia allowed 10 lbs.
6. Crown Plate, $100—¾ mile.
7. Members' Challenge Cup, value $100—¾ mile.
8. Pony Handicap, $50—¼ mile and repeat; for horses not over 14 hands 2 inches in height.

Conditions—Five horses to enter and three to start in each race.

Entrance fee—10 per cent of purses. All entries to be made to B. J. Perry, secretary of the driving park, P. O. box 372, Victoria, B. C., on or before Thursday, 21st May, 1897, at 6 p.m.

LACROSSE.

CAPITALS PREPARE FOR THE SEASON.

In view of the rapid approach of the lacrosse season the Capital club holds its general meeting to-night in the Y.M.C.A. parlor at 8 o'clock. After the election of officers the club will choose delegates to represent it at the meeting next Saturday of the British Columbia Lacrosse Association, and will also discuss any suggested changes in the rules of the association. The members have further to consider the question of a ground for the summer, and it is suggested that possibly the Oak Bay park may be used. The Capitals will, it is hoped, put a first class team into the field this summer and capture the championship from the Mainland.

HOCKEY.

VICTORIA V. VANCOUVER.

The Victoria Hockey Club has arranged to meet the Vancouver club twice during the season but the date has not yet been fixed. The first game will be played in the Terminal City during the Easter holidays, while the return match will be played at Oak Bay before the end of the season.

THE GUN.

TO MEET THIS EVENING.

The Victoria Gun Club will hold their monthly meeting to-night at the club room at 8 o'clock. Members are asked to note that important business will come up for discussion.

THEY WORKED HARD.

The City Council Wade Through a Long Programme of Public Business.

Ald. Stewart's Railway Resolution Is Talked Out—No Street Bicycle Racks.

A pleasant feature of the council meeting last evening was the intelligent and appreciative audience which was in attendance, prominent in which were to be observed the intellectual countenances of a deputation from the local house, headed by the leader of Her Majesty's loyal opposition. The business of the evening included a wide range of matters from "one teapot, 30 cents," supplied to one of the civic departments, up to the two formidable resolutions looking to closer railway connection with the Mainland. This latter business was not complete when it was ignominiously choked by a resolution to adjourn, which carried. Another measure, which also received its quietus for the time being, was the idea of bicycle racks on the streets, the aldermen feeling in duty bound to uphold their own by-laws, and until these are altered street racks may not be used.

The first item was a communication from B. Boggs enclosing a statement of the receipts and expenditure for last 24th of May celebration, showing a balance in hand of $60. The total amount collected was $2,598.85. The statement was filed. The Mayor took the opportunity to say a few words on the head of the celebration this year, and proposed that a public meeting be called a week from to-day (Tuesday) for the purpose of taking that matter into consideration. This was agreed to nem. con. The council then passed on to a letter from J. Gerhard Tiarks, accepting on the part of property owners the proposition made by the council in connection with the drain on Stanley avenue.

The water commissioner wrote in connection with the water supply for the Montolio cabins, stating that he was not required by the by-law to give notice before cutting off the water, and that the agents had been notified long ago of the state of the service pipe.

Ald. McGregor was not satisfied with this answer of the commissioner and wanted the matter referred back for details.

Ald. Wilson thought that the letter covered everything required, and the communication was received and filed, Messrs. Lowenberg, Harris & Co., to be notified in accordance with the report of the water commissioner.

J. Painter's letter next had the consideration of the board calling attention to a drain on Pine street. The street committee will act in the matter.

A. O. Roy wrote enclosing bill amounting to $26 for the use of tools loaned to Mr. Wilmot on the Point Ellice bridge work, and City Engineer will be asked for a report.

Market Superintendent Johnson reported $72 as the total receipts for the month of March. Received.

The chief of fire department reported that driver F. Le Roy applied for leave, which was granted, and hoseman McDonald took charge of engine horses while callman W. J. Deasy fills McDonald's place temporarily. Callman James J. Hay tendered his resignation on account of the rule requiring callmen ta sleep in the fire halls. The chief recommended that T. P. Sehl and Geo. Shade fill the vacancies in the departments.. A question had arisen regarding the rule requiring the firemen to reside within certain prescribed limits. Two if the callmen own residences and other families reside, respectively, on Cadboro Bay road and Oak Bay avenue. They did not intend moving and wished to know whether sleeping in the fire halls nightly and working within the city daily covers the rule. One of the permanent men was in the same position and moved his family within the limits. This was sent to the fire wardens for report.

The streets lighting committee recommended that the contract for the year's supply of oil be awarded to Patton & Son, and that the tenders for globes and carbons of the Canadian General Electric Co. be accepted. This report was adopted.

The streets committee in re Henry Fitterre's application to place bicycle racks on the streets regretted that they could not recommend the granting of the request. Several other matters relating to grading, etc., on Huron, Bay and Third streets and other parts of the city, was also proposed. The bicycle rack proposition caused much discussion, some of the aldermen maintaining that it would be a public benefaction. The clause bearing on the subject was read from the city by-law showing that no goods, wares, etc., could be left on the sidewalks.

Ald. Wilson believed in enforcing the by-laws as they stood. Grant liberties in one case and you must do so in others. The Mayor maintained that the sidewalks should be reserved for pedestrians, and for every one cyclist there was in the city there were twenty persons who used the sidewalks. The report was adopted, but not before a call for names was made, and then all hands seemed to get adrift, during which the following dialogue was heard above the confusion:

Ald. Harrison—"It's against the racks."

Ald. McGregor—"No it isn't."

Ald. Harrison—"I'll bet you $5."

The usual polling stations for the voting on the 14th inst. were adopted and the following were selected as deputy returning officers: Messrs. Faulkner, Spagge and Dearberg.

The piece de resitance of the evening was reached in Ald. Stewart's motion, published in Sunday's issue, which next occupied the attention of the board, and Ald. Partridge's motion in the same direction was taken up at the same time.

In speaking to his motion, Ald. Partridge stated that he could not claim the motion as the product of his brains; it had been suggested by an ex-alderman who had subsequently drawn up another, and he (Ald. Partridge) could say, without fear of contradiction, that Ald. Stewart's motion emanated from the same man. He thought it covered the whole ground and it was foolish to have two motions.

Ald. Wilson thought that want of unanimity was the great fault of the people of this city, and Ald Stewart might have consulted with others in the matter before posting his resolution. He would like to see one resolution withdrawn.

Ald. McCandlish also asked for a combination of forces—both motions were practically identical and it was a mistake to have a discussion on the two resolutions.

Ald. Harrison wanted to know if there was any guarantee that a ferry could be maintained from Point Roberts to Sidney. Let the line stop at Point Roberts and trust to the navigation company for the rest. He did not want to be tied to Sidney—"We've had too much of Sidney already."

Ald. Stewart in explanation claimed that his motion was definite and Ald. Partridge's was indefinite. Point Roberts was the only point at which connection could be made that would be of benefit to Victoria. Nor would the council be bound to take any part of the Sidney railway. He did not object to his brother alderman's motion, but he wanted something definite, and if that alderman would adopt his motion it would cover the whole matter. The two aldermen then got their heads together with the result that Ald. Partridge's motion secured Ald. Stewart's support and passed unanimously, but Ald. Stewart's poor resolution after having its preamble cut off and otherwise altered was in the midst of an irregular discussion prematurely strangled by a motion to adjourn, which carried.

During the overtures of peace between the two aldermen the balance of the council took advantage of the cessation of hostilities to refer the matter of the tenders for supplies for the fire department to the fire wardens and the purchasing agent.

The council adjourned at 10:30 p.m.

AGAINST PROHIBITION.

An Advanced Bishop Gives Some Advice on the Liquor Question.

A Sydney, N.S.W. journalist, interviewed the other day a "tall gentleman in clerical garb, who sat on the verandah of the Hotel Metropole, smoking a pipe with the evident relish of a veteran admirer of that soothing friend of all mankind." This particular gentleman was Bishop Julius, of Christ church, N. Z., en route to the Lambeth conference in London. The bishop was particularly interested in the prohibition question, and in view of the plebiscite which the Laurier government intends to make his remarks on this subject are worth reproducing.

"First and foremost," he said, "the liquor traffic is the biggest curse in New Zealand, or in any other country. Not that the people as a whole are intemperate, but that a very large number of people in each populace are intemperate. A great deal of the crime and lunacy in any country can be traced to the liquor traffic. The mischief is not so much in the law, but in the fact that the law isn't carried out. I take it then that New Zealand is bound to have a more efficient control of the liquor traffic, if not to suppress it altogether. And yet I object to the total suppression of the traffic, and unless the prohibition voters in New Zealand greatly increase in numbers its suppression will never be possible. If it should, the consequent sly grog-selling and illegitimate liquor traffic would do great harm to the country. I object to the total suppression of the liquor traffic, because, in my judgment, a moderate use of a slightly alcoholic beverage, such as a light wine or a lager beer, is really less pernicious than a great many so-called temperance drinks. Good wine and good beer moderately taken will not hurt any man, but it is flooding the market with drugged liquors, through the medium of competition, that causes a great amount of harm.

"The prohibition party in New Zealand is splendidly organized. It is led by able men, who have accomplished a great deal. Of course they don't attempt to enhance the number of houses or enforce the law, because the greater number of houses just now the better it is for their cause. These men vote for total subjection, and the recent elections show that the people, as a whole, are not with them. As to the financial aspect of the question, should the liquor traffic be suppressed or partly suppressed, what is lost in the sale of liquors would be more than counterbalanced by money saved to be spent in other industries. My own opinion is that as long as the drink traffic is managed by private firms competing with one another, just so long will it continue to be a curse to the country. There is only one remedy that I can see for this at present. That remedy lies in a complete development of the Norwegian system. By the Norwegian system the government will own the liquor traffic and only good liquors will be sold. There will be no cause for competition, and, therefore, there will be no cause to sell bad goods. I long to see this system govern our liquor traffic. Competition, low bars, drugged drinks and an incentive to drink are at the root of the whole mischief, and can only be arrested by good and wholesome drink being supplied to those who want it."

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